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1. The Hungarian part of the 1850-kilometer strategic highway between Budapest and Moscow has nearly been completed. The road runs from Budapest through Szolnok, Debrecen, and Nyiregyhaza to Szolnok. Prisoners as well as civilian laborers have been employed. The newly constructed parts of the highway have opened to general traffic.
2. About one half of the highway follows existing roads, while the remaining distance has been newly constructed and adapted to strategic requirements. Heavy armor and artillery can be transported over the road, which is 18 meters wide. Since the highway bridge across the Theiss (Tisza) near Szolnok was too weak, a new road had to be constructed there and carried over the railroad bridge, which has a capacity of 100 tons.
3. The construction of the Soviet stretches of the highway had advanced so far at the beginning of the Russo-German war that the Germans were able to complete the road without further difficulty. The road from Kiev to Munkacs, through Tarnopol and Lemberg, was built at the end of the war.

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